IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

IRIS KITCHEN, DIAMONIQUE FRANKLIN, and ROSIE JONES,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES OF NEBRASKA, INC.; DSN AUTISM CENTER OF NEBRASKA, INC.; OMNI BEHAVIORAL HEALTH; and ANGELA MITCHELL,

Defendants.

8:20CV8

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Nebraska General Rule 1.4(a)(4)(B) provides that "[i]f the court or the clerk learns after filing that cases are or may be related, the chief judge must be informed as soon as possible." Civil cases are "related" under this rule "when they involve some or all of the same issues of fact ... [or] arise out of the same transaction" NEGenR 1.4(a)(4)(C).

It appears that the above-captioned case is related to *Kitchen et al. v. DSNO et al.*, Case No. 8:19CV107 (D. Neb.), which was assigned to Judge Bataillon and which was dismissed without prejudice on December 3, 2019. Both cases involve some or all of the same issues of fact and arise out of the same transaction.

Accordingly, and pursuant to NEGenR 1.4(a)(4),

¹ The present case has been assigned to the "pro se docket" because all plaintiffs are proceeding pro se (without counsel) and in forma pauperis (without payment of fees). Case No. 8:19CV107 involved a paid pro se complaint.

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Chief Judge Gerrard is hereby notified that the above-captioned case appears to be related to *Kitchen et al. v. DSNO et al.*, Case No. 8:19CV107 (D. Neb.), which was assigned to Judge Bataillon.
- 2. The Clerk of Court shall transmit a copy of this Memorandum and Order to Chief Judge Gerrard.

Dated this 28th day of January, 2020.

BY THE COURT:

Richard G. Kopf Richard G. Kopf

Senior United States District Judge